1. 20. (Amended Three Times) A transmitter device for use with a system for digitizing operative strokes of a hand-held drawing implement having a body, a front end having an operative drawing tip, and a rear end opposite [said] the operative drawing tip, [said] the transmitter device comprising;

a) a housing [having] comprising a front end and a rear end, [said] the front end of the housing having an aperture, [said] the housing [including] further comprising a removable cover portion for receiving a portion of [said] the body of [said] the drawing implement within [said] the housing, with [said] the operative drawing tip extending through [said] the aperture;

b) a normally-closed switch deployed so as to be opened by immediate onset of relative movement between [said] the drawing implement and [said] the housing resulting from pressure applied to [said] the operative drawing tip; and

c) a primary spring deployed to bias [said] the drawing implement in a forward direction to a forward position in which said normally-closed switch is closed;

wherein said transmitter device is deployed to initiate transmission of a sequence of pulses in response to opening of [said] the normally-closed switch.

2. 30. (Amended Twice) The transmitter device of Claim 1 29, further comprising:

a secondary spring weaker than [said] the primary spring, deployed to act upon [said] the drawing implement in a rearward direction opposite to the forward direction, so as to suspend [said] the drawing implement within [said] the housing.

2. 31. (Amended Twice) The transmitter device of Claim 1 28, further comprising:

a centering element associated with [said] the primary spring [and providing], the centering element comprising an abutment surface configured to align [said] the rear end of [said] the drawing implement centrally within [said] the housing.